

**What's happening in the Team this week***For more details of local events, please see Team News*

**Wed 18 May** 10am Eucharist St Mary's, Beaminster  
11-12.30 Walk in Wednesday St Mary's, Beaminster

**THE HUB — By Revd. Canon David Baldwin**

Christian Aid week starts this Sunday 15th and I am very grateful to Judith Hansen who continues to coordinate this vitally important event across the team. Thanks also to the parish coordinators for their hard work. However you choose to raise funds locally I hope that you have a good response. Please do read the Tailpiece article that Judith has prepared for this month's Team News as it highlights the importance of this year's fundraising.

As we approach the special time of celebration for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations I am aware that there are many activities planned across the communities within the team area. I am delighted that in Mosterton the Church is planning a Jubilee Fun Day on the Village green coordinated by Sharyn Brown and Graham Fry on Saturday 4th June. We have now been sent the liturgy resources for use at services during this time. There will be a Service of Celebration and Thanksgiving at St Mary's Beaminster at 5.00 pm on Thursday 2nd June. This is of course open to everyone from the team and we would look forward to welcoming you.

Following a further five days in DCH Jane is now home and recuperating on a combination of medication, rest and reintroduction of a light diet. We are both very grateful for all of your continued prayers and kind words and gifts. Please do not be alarmed if you see me hobbling around with a walking stick. This was given to me by the Physiotherapist earlier this week to give me greater stability whilst a decision is made on the next course of action for my arthritic knee joint. I really think that he was concerned about me falling and damaging the pavement!

# PEW NEWS

**Beaminster Area  
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**15 Churches:  
One Community**

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**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

Acts 11. 1-18  
Psalm 148  
Revelation 21. 1-6  
John 13.31-35

White Year C

***Collect***

Almighty God,  
who through your only-begotten Son Jesus Christ  
have overcome death and opened to us  
the gate of everlasting life:  
grant that, as by your grace going before us  
you put into our minds good desires,  
so by your continual help  
we may bring them to good effect;  
through Jesus Christ our risen Lord.

***Post Communion***

Eternal God,  
whose Son Jesus Christ is the way, the truth,  
and the life:  
grant us to walk in his way,  
to rejoice in his truth,  
and to share his risen life;  
who is alive and reigns, now and for ever.

Please take this copy of Pew News away with you for reference during the week.

If you would like material about Church events included in the Pew News, please bring it to the Church Office, or e-mail [beaminsterteam@gmail.com](mailto:beaminsterteam@gmail.com) by 9am on the Wednesday before publication

**First Reading — Acts 11. 1-18**

The apostles and the believers who were in Judea heard that the Gentiles had also accepted the word of God. So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him, saying, ‘Why did you go to uncircumcised men and eat with them?’ Then Peter began to explain it to them, step by step, saying, ‘I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. There was something like a large sheet coming down from heaven, being lowered by its four corners; and it came close to me. As I looked at it closely I saw four-footed animals, beasts of prey, reptiles, and birds of the air. I also heard a voice saying to me, “Get up, Peter; kill and eat.” But I replied, “By no means, Lord; for nothing profane or unclean has ever entered my mouth.” But a second time the voice answered from heaven, “What God has made clean, you must not call profane.” This happened three times; then everything was pulled up again to heaven. At that very moment three men, sent to me from Caesarea, arrived at the house where we were. The Spirit told me to go with them and not to make a distinction between them and us. These six brothers also accompanied me, and we entered the man’s house. He told us how he had seen the angel standing in his house and saying, “Send to Joppa and bring Simon, who is called Peter; he will give you a message by which you and your entire household will be saved.” And as I began to speak, the Holy Spirit fell upon them just as it had upon us at the beginning. And I remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said, “John baptized with water, but you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.” If then God gave them the same gift that he gave us when we believed in the Lord Jesus Christ, who was I that I could hinder God?’ When they heard this, they were silenced. And they praised God, saying, ‘Then God has given even to the Gentiles the repentance that leads to life.’

**Church Office**

Please note that the office will be closed on Monday 16 May.

**Gospel Reading— John 13. 31-35**

During the supper, when Judas had gone out, Jesus said, ‘Now the Son of Man has been glorified, and God has been glorified in him. If God has been glorified in him, God will also glorify him in himself and will glorify him at once. Little children, I am with you only a little longer. You will look for me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, “Where I am going, you cannot come.” I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.’

**Today...**

Don't miss a lovely afternoon at Stronggate Farm, Salway Ash where you'll find an excellent Cream Tea!

2-5pm

Plant Stall  
Parking available

All proceeds are in aid of Holy Trinity Church, Salway Ash



**Saturday 28 May  
4-5.30pm in St Mary's,  
Beaminster**

Contact Rev Jo  
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or see our website  
[www.beaminsterteamchurches.org](http://www.beaminsterteamchurches.org)

**Eco Pause for Thought: May is National Walking Month...**  
Enjoy local walks, new and old favourites noticing birdsong, blossom, wildlife, flowers etc.